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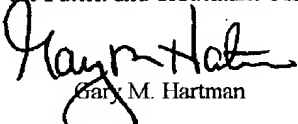
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In response to the Office Action dated January 20, 2004 (Paper No. 5),  
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